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FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY HARTMAN FROM AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJ: BUDAPEST GOOD-BYES

REF: STATE 59781

1. YOUR THOUGHTS ON "DOES HUNGARY HAVE A FOREIGN POLICY?"
(PARA. 1 REFTEL) ARE UNDERSTOOD AND ACCEPTED. YOUR
INSTRUCTIONS WILL RECEIVE STRICT COMPLIANCE.

2. REFERENCE TO "INSTANCES" IN WHICH HUNGARIAN POLICE
HAVE INTRUDED ON US-GOH RELATIONS (PARA. 3 REFTEL) IS
PUZZLING. ONE SUCH CASE, A FLAGRANT ONE, SPRINGS TO
MIND READILY; FIRST SECRETARY KADAR APPEARED TO HAVE
TOUCHED ON IT DURING DECEMBER 4 CONVERSATION (PARA 5C,
75 BUDAPEST 3920). IF YOU COULD THROUGH APPROPRIATE
CHANNELS ADVISE OF OTHER RECENT INTRUSIONS, THAT INFORMA-
TION WILL BE MOST HELPFUL. IF ONE KNOWS THE FACTS, IT IS
EASIER TO TOUCH THE SUBJECT WITHOUT BEING MALADROIT.
IF ONE DOES NOT HAVE THE FACTS, IT WOULD BE IMPOSSIBLE
TO RESPOND TO ANY POSSIBLE DIRECT QUESTIONS.

3. IN ANSWER TO YOUR QUESTION, I SHOULD GUESS THAT,
IF I SECURE APPOINTMENT WITH KADAR AND IF CONVERSATION
GOES AS EASILY AS DECEMBER 4 MEETING, I SHALL FIND
OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE THE POINT.

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